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For: STRIPPING WIRE AND STRIPPING CATHETER FOR REMOVING A VEIN

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

**REMARKS**